DELAWARE AGRICULTURAL LANDS PRESERVATION FOUNDATION

Agenda is subject to change Foundation Meeting Date: September 16, 2015, 8:30 a.m. Delaware Department of Agriculture, Conference Room Two 2320 S. DuPont Hwy., Dover, DE 19901 Phone: 302-698-4530 or 1-800-282-8685

- I. Preservation Districts
 - A. Current Situation Report Scott Blaier
 - B. Monitoring Report Milton Melendez
 - C. Young Farmers Report Austin Short
 - D. Expansion Eligibility & Final Approval
 - 1. Moore Wilson Expansion of the Deer Grove District (K-15-08-209A) (Contingent Sale)
 - 2. Melville Forestland Expansion of the Tappahanna District (K-15-07-2190)
 - 3. Joseph Farm Expansion of the Rust District (S-15-07-034R)
- II. Secretary of Agriculture's Veto
- III. Opportunity for Public Comments
- IV. Minutes
- V. Financial Highlights
- VI. Executive Session Pursuant to 29 Del. C. §10004 (b) (2), (4) and (6) the Board will go into executive session for the purpose of receiving legal advice and to discuss and review confidential appraisal matters. The Board will not vote on any matter in Executive Session.
- VII. Adjournment

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Delaware Agricultural Lands Preservation Foundation

The Foundation will meet on September 16, 2015 at 8:30 A.M. at the Delaware Department of Agriculture, 2320 S. DuPont Highway, Dover, Delaware. The purpose of the meeting is to review applications before the Foundation, and conduct other Foundation business. The Foundation, in addition to reviewing applications for the establishment of agricultural preservation districts, shall also review the following applications for agricultural preservation districts and expansions of existing agricultural preservation districts: K-15-08-209A, Moore – Wilson Expansion of the Deer Grove District, Kent County; K-15-07-219O, Melville Forestland Expansion of the Tappahanna District, Kent County; S-15-07-034R Joseph Farm Expansion of the Rust District, Sussex County.

The Foundation has authority to grant expansion requests, subject to a right of rejection of the Secretary of the Department of Agriculture and appeal of the decision to the Superior Court. The approval of an expansion to an existing agricultural preservation district confers the same rights and privileges to the expansion properties which are enjoyed by the existing agricultural preservation districts. Also, inclusion of an expansion to a district has impacts on landowners and land uses adjacent to the expanded district as set forth in 3 Del. C. §910.

The public is invited to provide comments prior to the September 16, 2015 meeting. Information concerning the applications for expansion

of the agricultural preservation districts is available upon request from the Foundation by contacting Rebecca Vaughn, 1-800-282-8685, or 698-4531. The applications are also available for public inspection.

The public, including adjacent landowners, are also invited to attend this meeting and provide comments regarding the applications for expansion prior to the time that the Foundation takes formal action on the applications.

Pursuant to 29 <u>Del. C.</u> § 10004(b) (2), (4) and (6) the Board may go into executive session for purposes of receiving legal advice and to discuss and review confidential appraisal matters. The Board will not vote on any matter in executive session.

Accommodations are available for individuals with disabilities.

Persons with disabilities are encouraged to call Debbie Carey (302-698-4500) or toll free (1-800-282-8685) to request an auxiliary aid or service.